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Applicants: G.J. Bertini et al. Attorney Docket No. UTLX114698
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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Applicants respectfully requests that the shortened statutory period for response to the outstanding Office Action, dated September 3, 2003, set to expire on December 3, 2003, be extended by three months, to expire on March 3, 2004.

Enclosed is our Check No. 154123 in the amount of \$950.00 to cover the extension fee.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1740. This authorization also hereby includes a request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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